PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.

(*OFFICIAL REPORT.*)

FIRST ASSEMBLY.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Thursday, the 14th November 1935/28th Thulam 1111.

The Assembly met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven of the clock, with the Dewan President in the chair.

SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS.

The following members took the oath and signed the Rolls :—

Mr. K. George,
Mr. G. B. E. Truscott.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

PRESIDENT : We will now take up questions which were held over yesterday.

Poovanakkadavu Bridge at Mallappally.

24. *MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the year in which they have given sanction for the erection of the Poovanakkadavu bridge at Mallappally;

(*b*) the amount of money sanctioned year after year since the date of sanction; and

(*c*) the amount of money actually utilised and the amount that lapsed in those respective years?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) :

(*a*) 1932.

(*b*) No allotment was made in any year's Budget; but Rs 3,000 in 1108 and Rs. 2,141 in 1109 were provided by diversion to meet the land acquisition charges.

(*c*) The amount actually utilised is Rs. 23-6-11.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : With reference to answer to part (*b*), may I know whether the necessary land has been acquired?

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MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : No. So far as I know, the whole land has not yet been handed over.

MR. R SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know whether the amount mentioned in part (*c*) of the answer has been used for acquiring the land ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): No.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know whether money has been used for that purpose ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : No.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know why ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): Because the award has not been made.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): May I know whether Government are aware that there is a good deal of traffic in that place?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : Government are aware that there is a certain amount of traffic.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*) : May I know why no allotment was made in the Budget, though sanction was made as early as 1932 ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : Because there were more important bridges to be taken up before this bridge was taken up.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*) : May I know the purpose for which the amount of Rs. 23-6-11 was spent ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I cannot give an answer to that now.

The Arianad Bridge.

25. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they are aware that the Arianad bridge is an important bridge ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that the above bridge is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition and

(*c*) whether they are aware that the people are undergoing various difficulties as a result of the neglected condition of the bridge ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) :

(*a*) The bridge has a fair amount of traffic.

(*b*) They do not consider it to be so.

(*c*) No.

MR. S. J NAIR (*Nedumangad*) : May I know whether the Government or the Chief Engineer has received any representation from the public of Arianad for the reconstruction of the bridge ?

MR. G. B E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*) : I have not received any one myself.

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